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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 93,473-G)

In re Application of:

Louis G. Lange, et al

Serial No.: 09/712,364

Filed: November 14, 2000

For: Method and Composition for Inhibiting
Cholesterol Esterase

Examiner: K. Fonda

Group Art Unit: 0623

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- a) Replacement Preliminary Amendment; and
- b) Return Receipt Postcard

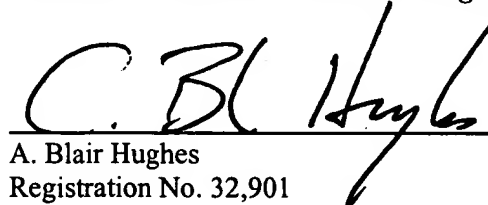
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REPLACEMENT PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Replacement Preliminary Amendment is being submitted in response to the Official
Action dated June 5, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Cancel all pending claims from the application.

Add the following new claims 12-16 to the application:

12. A method for lowering serum cholesterol in humans comprising administering to a
human the combination of a first compound that reduces serum cholesterol levels and a second
compound that reduces serum cholesterol levels.

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